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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2003/005441	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE May 24, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED July 6, 2002
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TITLE OF INVENTION

FORCE-TRANSMISSION ELEMENT

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

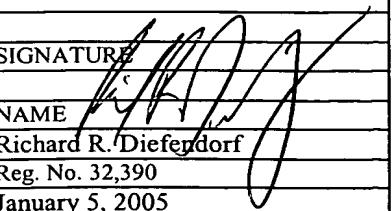
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. is attached herewith.
 - b. has been previously submitted under 35 USC 154(d)(4).
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4))
10. An English translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Item 11. to 20. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. A preliminary amendment.
14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. A substitute specification.
16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825.
18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).
19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4)
20. Other items or information:
 - a. Cover page of International publication no. WO 2004/005115 A1
 - b. Form PCT/IB/308
 - c. Copy of International Search Report
 - d. 2 sheets of drawing (Figs. 1a-1c and 2a-2c)
 - e. Copy of IPER

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21. The following fees are submitted:				CALCULATIONS \$ 1000.00	PTO USE ONLY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee..... \$300.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee..... \$200.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee..... \$500.00					
		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1000.00			
Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra sheets	Number of each add'l 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
- 100 =	/50 =		x \$250.00	\$	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$ 130.00	
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate		
Total Claims	20 - 20 =	0	X \$50.00	\$	
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	X \$200.00	\$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)		+ \$360.00		\$	
		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =		\$ 1130.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims Small Entity Status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.				\$	
		SUBTOTAL =		\$ 1130.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	
		TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =		\$ 1130.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +				\$	
		TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =		\$ 1130.00	
				Amount to be: refunded	\$
				Charged	\$
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One check in the amount of \$1130.00 for the filing fee is enclosed b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>05-1323</u> (Attorney Docket No. ==) in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>05-1323</u> (ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 095309.55776US) A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.					
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